



Quarterly Newsletter | January–March 2026



This quarter has been full of meaningful partnerships, educational programs, and community engagement centered around the Historic Harrington School and the work of the Coalition. We are grateful for every visitor, partner, and supporter who continues to help preserve and share this important history.

January Highlights

- Emory Rooks manager of **Historic Harrington School** was invited to speak with the St. Simons Rotary Club, sharing the mission and ongoing work of the St. Simons African American Heritage Coalition.
- The Road Scholars began their bi-monthly visits in January, continuing opportunities to connect visitors with the story and significance of the Historic Harrington School.



February Highlights We kicked off Black History Month with our High Tea, “Tea and Ties That Bind,” a wonderful gathering that brought together members of the community in a warm and meaningful celebration.



- We were honored to partner with Friends of Historic Jekyll and Pruitt Health Systems to share a little history about the Historic Harrington School.

- We were also delighted to welcome visiting 2nd graders from Frederica Academy for a special educational visit.

March Highlights

- In March, we partnered with the St. Simons Historic Society to present a program for the 250th Revolution on the Coast, highlighting Susan King Taylor.
- The program featured guest historian Hermina Glass-Hill and offered an engaging opportunity to reflect on the life and legacy of Susan King Taylor.



Coming Up Next

Featured Event

SAVE THE DATE!
TASTE OF GULLAH

\$75.00 per person

◆ DATE: June 19, 2026
◆ TIME: 5:00 - 7:00 PM
◆ LOCATION: Village Creek Landing, St. Simons Island, GA

Join us for an evening of Gullah cuisine, music, and culture to celebrate and support the Historic Harrington School.

SCAN TO BUY TICKETS
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SAINT SIMONS AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE COALITION

All proceeds support the Historic Harrington School
501(c)(3) non-profit organization

Support

Grant Awards & Support

We are proud to have received grant funding from:

- Terry Thomas Foundation
- F. J. Brotherton Charitable Trust

These contributions play a vital role in preserving the Historic Harrington School and expanding our programming. These funds will also help us move forward with our goal of building a bathroom at the Historic Harrington School.

Stay Connected

Discover more about our work and upcoming events by visiting our newly redesigned website at ssheritagecoalition.org.

Join us in preserving and celebrating the rich history of St. Simons Island—**follow us on Facebook** for the latest updates, special events, and stories from the Historic Harrington School.

✦ **Get involved!** Attend our events, support our mission, and consider making a donation to help us continue this important work—including our goal to build a bathroom at the Historic Harrington School.

Together, we can preserve the past and inspire future generations.